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UNSUBS; Alleged Plot in New York City, New York, to Harm or Kill a Prominent Negro Woman

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63

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Re Buffalo airtel and LHM, dated 6/5/68, captioned as above.

There are enclosed herewith for the Bureau ten copies of an LHM, dated and captioned as above. Two copies are enclosed for Memphis, as Office of Origin in MURKIN case;

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(1 - 62-10960, ASSASSINATION OF PRES. J. F. KENNEDY)
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and three copies of LHM are enclosed for New York, as alleged locus of plots mentioned in referenced LHM, with one copy for New York file on [redacted]

Buffalo is making no local dissemination of instant LHM, and whether or not any dissemination should be made at SOG is being left to discretion of the Bureau.

The information set forth in instant LHM is being furnished to the Bureau and interested offices principally because of the serious nature of the alleged information furnished and [redacted] prominent position as a world-famous novelist, although previous experience with [redacted] demonstrates she has a penchant for intermingling fact and fiction indiscriminately, and has, in the past, published an article bearing on the internal security of the United States representing it to be factual whereas it was completely fictional.

[redacted] is now attempting to twist information recently furnished by her as evidencing advance information concerning the death of Senator KENNEDY, despite available facts as set forth in referenced LHM definitely indicating otherwise.

Specific attention is directed to the fact as set forth in instant LHM that when [redacted] telephoned [redacted] on June 4, 1968, she said she was unavailable for interview because she was hurrying to go to the hospital to see her husband who was on the brink of death. On June 6, 1968, she told [redacted] that after talking with him on June 4, 1968, she had gone out to the front of her home to plant flowers.

[redacted] no action is recommended on the information being furnished by her, other than possible dissemination by the Bureau of this information because it is very possible [redacted] may proceed to furnish the same information to other governmental agencies, or may proceed to publish the information she has furnished.

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Buffalo, New York
June 7, 1968

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At 3:45 P. M., on June 6,1968, a telephone call was received at the Buffalo Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation from [redacted] whose true name is [redacted] and who resides at [redacted] [redacted] immediately referred to a letter she had recently mailed to the Buffalo Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation predicting "that something terrible was going to happen," to the fact that on June 4, 1968, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation had telephonically discussed this letter with her, and she stated she now wished to furnish additional developments.

She said that on the afternoon of June 4, 1968, shortly after discussing her letter with a Special Agent of

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[redacted] said she replied, "You mean about the Negro woman?"

The young man allegedly said, "No! No! You've got that mixed up."

[redacted] allegedly replied, "I told the FBI."

The young Negro then allegedly replied, "You should have told the Secret Service. Anyway, it's too late now."

[redacted] stated that almost immediately thereafter, the young Negro drove away on his motor bike, the entire conversation having lasted about one or two minutes. She stated that she had never seen this young Negro before, and described him as about 19 years of age, wearing a dark sleeveless shirt, blue jean trousers, and as being very well spoken. She conjectured he is a student because strapped on the back seat of his motor bike had been two or three text books.

[redacted] stated she had been completely startled when she had heard the young Negro refer to "our friend in New York," but had immediately assumed that the reference made was to the Negro businessman in New York City who had recently written to her that "something terrible is going to happen."

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the Federal Bureau of Investigation, she had gone outside to plant some flowers in front of her home. While so engaged, she noticed a young man on a motor bike ride by in the street in front of her home several times. Finally, this young man stopped directly in front of her home and commenced speaking with her. She states she was surprised to see on close observation that this young man was a Negro, whereas when she had seen him from a slight distance, he appeared to be Caucasian.

According to [redacted] the first thing this young Negro said to her was, "Do you know [redacted] said she replied, "I know him well." [redacted] explained at this point that she knows a Negro in Buffalo named [redacted] the purpose of which is to raise money to provide educational scholarships for meritorious and needy Negro students. She stated that she has given financial and other assistance to [redacted] and immediately assumed that this is the [redacted] the young man was inquiring about.)

[redacted] went on to state that the next thing the young Negro said to her was "Did you tell Secret Service what our friend in New York wanted you to tell them?"

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[redacted] then made reference to the recent assassination in Los Angeles of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and proceeded to speculate that perhaps this was the "terrible thing about to happen" that her Negro friend from New York City had written to her about, and which information she in turn had forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. She acknowledged that in her letter to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, she had described the incident about to occur as involving an unknown Negro woman, but now wondered whether she may possibly have misinterpreted the Negro businessman's letter. She speculated that perhaps what the Negro businessman had been trying to tell her was that a Negro woman was to be involved in the incident in some way, but not necessarily as the victim.

[redacted] concluded by stating she felt Senator KENNEDY's death was more than just a mere coincidence, that she is "not a believer in coincidence," and that there must definitely be some connection between the information she had previously received and Senator KENNEDY's death.

[redacted] Attention is directed to the fact that [redacted] in her telephone call of June 6, 1968, to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, stated that her conversation with the unidentified young Negro occurred while

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she was planting flowers in front of her home on the afternoon of June 4, 1968, and that she also stated she had gone outside to plant these flowers shortly following a telephone conversation with a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, on June 4, 1968.

It is noted that a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation did, in fact, have a telephone conversation with [redacted] from about 4:35 P. M. to 4:50 P. M., on June 4, 1968. During an earlier telephone call to the [redacted] residence on June 4, 1968, the Special Agent was told by a housekeeper, who answered the telephone, that [redacted] was asleep, that it is [redacted] practice to work through the night and sleep during the day, and that [redacted] would be available to answer the telephone at about 4:30 P. M.

When the Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation did telephonically contact [redacted] at about 4:35 P. M., on June 4, 1968, he requested a personal interview with [redacted] concerning a letter which had been received from her earlier that day. [redacted] replied she was not available for interview then because she was hurrying to get ready to visit her husband, who is in the hospital on the brink of death, and that because of her busy schedule, she would have no time for a personal interview for at least two weeks or perhaps longer.

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